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Daily Diary, O/RR, 15 March 1951

D/M: [ ] has had several contacts with representatives of [ ] during the past several days regarding establishment of the Petroleum Advisory Panel. [ ] personnel are proceeding with contacts with individuals selected by O/RR. There were discussions with representatives of [ ] pertaining to the activities of the Foreign Refining Division, Petroleum Administration for Defense now beginning operations. There will undoubtedly be a general effort to channel oil industry information to Government via PAD. Representatives of [ ] were encouraged to consider ways and means of controlling the coordination of collection of oil information rather than permit the coordination of such activities to be established in PAD. It is believed that CIA's problem of coordinating research might become far more difficult should the Foreign Refining Division of PAD gain practical control of collection coordination for the government.

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D/A: Lt. Col. Dodd, Department of Defense called [ ] in connection with the Societe Permolia license application, now pending before the R Procedure Subcommittee. Dodd was advised that no information was as yet available from an outstanding CIA requirement. Dodd also urged the CIA representative to the R Procedure Subcommittee to attend the meeting scheduled for 15 March, but [ ] advised him that such attendance would be impossible due to the current work load.

25X1A [ ] advised John D. Garret, Department of Commerce, that CIA would not be represented at the Operating Committee meeting, but furnished him with certain information regarding the feasibility of permitting the export to China of current newspapers and periodicals containing no technical data.

25X1A Colonel Waterman (Industrial College) asked [ ] to suggest a representative of CIA to participate in a seminar on "Position of the Soviet Bloc with respect to Strategic Commodities." Howard M. Wiedemann will represent the Department of State. After conferring with [ ] suggested name of [ ] to attend.

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[ ] called Mr. Farley of NSC, who called attention to Senator Kem's letter of 9 March 1951 to the President re shipments of strategic commodities to the Soviet Bloc by countries receiving Marshall aid. Senator Kem stated that the Department of Commerce advised his office 9 March 1951 that \$229,912.80 worth of machine tools were sold to Russia by Britain during January 1951, alone. Belgium and France have also shipped large amounts of materials required for war. Western European countries have sold sizeable amounts of material essential for the production of A-bombs to the satellites. On 28 February 1951 Senator Kem was told that ECA had financed factories in Italy which were speeding production for Russia and that a Soviet economic party was in Genoa attempting to expedite deliveries of electric cranes from factories which were aided under the Marshall Plan.

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D/B:

[ ] delivered a lecture on the NIS Program at the Strategic Intelligence School.

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[ ] attended the weekly meeting with the Board on Geographic Names.

Working level contacts with State reported yesterday were continued.

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D/G:

O/PC approached [ ] for the purpose of formulating a plan for the construction of a series of maps to meet its plotting and presentation requirements.

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[ ] of the Territorial Studies Branch, has given considerable assistance to the Aeronautical Chart and Information Service during this past week as the result of a sharply increased number of informal requests for recommendations for presentation of boundaries on World Aeronautical Charts now under revision.

The Assistant Military Attache of the Yugoslavian Embassy approached G-2 to obtain large scale map coverage for southeastern European areas. The Commanding Officer, Army Map Service, is considering a tight quid pro quo arrangement.

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25X1A D/C: [ ] attended a meeting for the purpose of discussing the utility of the State Department monthly economic reporting guide. Present were representatives of O/IC, [ ] 25X1A  
25X1A [ ] O/CD and the Management Office. O/SO could not attend. [ ] expressed the opinion that 25X1A  
the monthly guide would be of value to its field people. 25X1A  
The only decision reached was that [ ] would contact the State Department to determine more about State's plans (areas to be covered, schedule, etc.) and to suggest that State permit Army, Navy, and Air, as well as CIA, to participate in the program. Presumably, there will be another meeting at a later date.

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